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PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), until April 26, 2004, for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Office Action dated January 26, 2004. The one month extension fee of \$110.00 is included in the check submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to treat any current or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. Applicants also authorize the Commissioner to charge any additional fees that are due to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

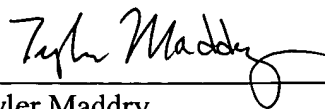
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